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Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by 3 months. Credit card payment for the required filing fee of \$1020.00 is being submitted via EFS-WEB.

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Respectfully submitted,

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